

CLAMP DOWN ON  
HARD TONICS,  
PERFUMES, ET ALFederal Agents Inaugurate  
Campaign Against Fa-  
mous Substitutes For  
Whiskey—Guard Against  
Recurrence of Christmas  
Wood Alcohol Tragedies

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Two scores of federal agents were dispatched tonight on a hunt through greater New York and other sections of this internal revenue district for poison liquor. Manufacturers of perfumes, hair tonics, flavoring extracts and furniture polish were investigated on a wholesale basis to "nail down" non-beverage alcohol in an effort to prevent recurrence of Christmas wood alcohol tragedies.

Hotel and restaurant men throughout New York tonight predicted the biggest New Year's eve celebration ever witnessed in this city, and "private stock" whiskey, brandy, rum and wine openly were announced as well-comers for 1920 despite the dry law and its enforcement. High prices are being paid for table along the Great White Way, and prospective celebrators defiantly have declared that John Barleycorn is to be their guest, "once more."

Wood Alcohol Continues Toll  
More deaths were reported here and throughout the country today, although in far less volume than the day after Christmas, indicated that wood alcohol continued to levy their toll. Chemical analysis of the brains of five men who died after drinking illicit liquor, showed today that wood alcohol caused their death.

Louis Di Vito, Joseph Giuseppe and Vito Cello, who were arrested last night when officers discovered 1,500 gallons of wines on their premises, were arraigned in court today charged with violation of the wartime prohibition act and held in \$500 bail each for hearings January 7.

New York, New Jersey and New England officials were in conference on the wood alcohol situation late in the day and a wider investigation has been planned into the traffic of poison, it was announced at the internal revenue offices.

Truck Drivers Held  
CHICAGO, Mass., Dec. 30.—Sam Darling and Max Saunders, Hartford truckmen, were arraigned by Marshal Alfred T. Carron of the Chicago police tonight on charges of manslaughter, following out of the large number of deaths in the Connecticut valley as a result of drinking whiskey containing wood alcohol. They were held under \$10,000 bonds each, which they had been unable to furnish early tonight and will be arraigned in police court tomorrow.

According to Marshal Carron, Darling and Saunders came to Chicago to "settle up some business affairs" and were met with warrants. The two men are also facing charges in Connecticut in connection with the poison liquor cases.

Plan Laws to Cover Poisons  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Legislation subjecting the manufacture and sale of wood alcohol to the same restrictions of grain alcohol will be recommended to congress, as a result of the many fatalities from the use of wood alcohol as a beverage, Commissioner Roper of the bureau of internal revenue announced tonight.

Faces Manslaughter Charge  
CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Matthew Zimmerman, a druggist, was recommended held to face manslaughter charge today by a coroner's jury investigating the death of three men resulting from drinking wood alcohol.

The fourteenth death from wood alcohol poisoning since Christmas was reported to the police today.

4 Dead at Passaic  
PASSAIC, N. J., Dec. 30.—Wood alcohol's toll in Passaic today is four men dead, one totally blind, who probably will die, and four others dangerously ill.

John Prechneicz, a tailor, told his wife just before he died that he had taken two drinks in a saloon and when the police investigated they found the proprietor, Joseph Sudol, and his brother, in St. Mary's hospital, both poisoned and the saloonkeeper blind.

Four Dead in Single Room  
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—Three women and a man were found in one room of a rooming house tonight dead from alcoholic poisoning.

The police believe the four have been dead since Saturday when they were last seen.

Andrew Wuczewski was found dead early today from drinking a concoction believed to have contained wood alcohol and Dominick McDonnell died at Chester, after drinking wood alcohol.

Mad Sea Loses Fight To Claim Last  
Three Survivors Of Wrecked Steamer

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 30.—Three exhausted and half frozen men, sole survivors of the crew of 29 of the Belgian steamer Anton Van Driel, were brought here today on the steamer Ingraham.

For two days and two nights the three men had clung to the wreck of their steamer as it lay in the jagged rocks that barred the entrance to St. Mary's bay.

The rescue was accomplished by the Ingraham against tremendous odds. The spot where the Anton Van Driel was wrecked is regarded by sailors as inaccessible to any craft except in the calmest weather and the great storm which brought doom to the Belgian ship was still raging when the Ingraham arrived. It was only after hours of effort and at the imminent peril of their lives that the men of the Ingraham brought the survivors to safety.

Shortly after the Anton Van Driel was hurled on the rocks on Saturday evening, the life boats were launched in an attempt to make the shore. Almost instantly the boats were swept away and dashed to pieces against the cliffs. Four men had preferred to stick to the wrecks and a fifth was swept back to the deck of the steamer after the lifeboat in which he had embarked was smashed.

The remaining sailors were drowned.

Throughout Saturday night and Sunday the five clung desperately to the bridge of the wreck. Overhead the fisher folk on the mainland watched their battle for life from the tops of the cliffs, powerless to aid. On Monday two of the survivors lost consciousness and were swept to their deaths.

Escaped Convict  
Hails Autoist--  
Meets Sheriff

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 30.—Dick Jester, one of three prisoners who made a daring escape from the county chain gang today hailed a passing automobile tonight on a country road near here and asked for a ride. The men in the car stopped and the convict got in.

"Sure, glad to have you, Dick," said Deputy Sheriff Gordon Hardy as he twisted his hand in the collar of Jester's sweater.

VISCOUNT GREY ENDS  
SHORT STAY AS G. B.  
AMBASSADOR TO U. S.

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Completing three months' service in Washington as British ambassador to the United States, Viscount Edward Grey left tonight for New York from which he will sail Saturday on the Aquitania for Liverpool. On reaching London, Viscount Grey will report to his government on his work in the United States.

Arriving in New York last September 26, Viscount Grey announced that he was resigning his post. He said it would be impossible for him to undertake the duties of a permanent ambassador and his mission therefore would be "comparatively short." A few days later he presented his credentials to Secretary Lansing at the state department. President Wilson's health being such at the time, that a call at the White House was deemed inadvisable. It has been thought possible that the ambassador might see the president before his departure, but in view of Viscount Grey's continued insistence that no special steps be taken to arrange such a visit no appointment was arranged.

While no official announcement has been made here or in London, it is expected that after Viscount Grey has reported on the work yet to be done by the British representative here a successor will be promptly named. Pending the arrival here of an accredited ambassador, Ronald C. Lindsey, counselor, will be in charge of the embassy.

S. V. CONVENTION  
ATTRACTS MANY

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 30.—By noon tomorrow 5,000 students from colleges and universities in all parts of the United States and Canada will have gotten off trains at the Des Moines railroad stations, registered as delegates to the Student Volunteer convention and been assigned to quarters for the next five days of meetings.

This afternoon and tonight special and scheduled trains from all corners of North America were pulling into the Rock Island, Northwestern and Union stations with loads of delegates. The convention will be opened tomorrow at 2 o'clock by John R. Mott, who will preside at all the general sessions.

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BEFORE ABANDON  
LEAGUE BEFORE  
ENTERING, SAYS  
NOTED TEACHER

Quotes Roosevelt, Wood and Wilson to Support View That Acceptance Would Bring Forth Many Storms

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30.—Quoting from President Wilson, General Wood and Theodore Roosevelt, Professor William H. Hobbs of the University of Michigan told the American Association for the Advancement of Science today, that it was time to determine "whether we had not better abandon the idea of the league of nations before it was entered upon."

"President Wilson has admitted, as to the scheme for which he stands sponsor before the world that, with its adoption, we would embark upon an uncharted sea," said Professor Hobbs. "We need then the advice of those best qualified to forecast the storms we are likely to encounter and to determine whether we had not better abandon the adventure before it is entered upon. The real question before the American people has from the start been one of the reliability of judgment of its political prophets."

In quoting President Wilson, Professor Hobbs said:

"Standing in the presence of the assembled delegates to the peace conference at the formal presentation of the covenant of the league of nations, Woodrow Wilson declared of this instrument:

"It is definite as a guarantee of peace. It is definite as a guarantee against aggression."

"On the other hand, General Leonard Wood declared that the statement that the claim that any covenant will protect the world from future wars is idle twaddle and a dream of molly coddlers. The pacifists, moreover, tell you lies when they say that an institution is dead. Don't listen to the molly coddlers. Be a citizen of common sense."

"Which guide are we to follow? Each has been a leader in the recent past when the issue was, as now, both national security and world idealism. Woodrow Wilson declared we could not become involved in the war and that affairs of Europe were not our concern, so he advocated non-preparedness as the remedy. Leonard Wood declared that we were bound to become involved in the war, that our only safety was in making preparations for any contingency; that the world struggle was our war, and he risked all that he had to save the country and his country's honor."

Treaty Has Little Chance for Success  
The pacifists' solution did not then avail to keep us out of war, despite Mr. Wilson's consoling promises, and the internationalists' solution, which he now no less confidently offers to letters away to covetous war, has an equal chance of success.

"Theodore Roosevelt tells us: 'It is well at this time for sober and resolute statesmen to apply that excellent variety of wisdom colloquially known as 'horse sense' to the problems of nationalism and internationalism.'"

"Nations are made, defended and preserved, not by the illusionists but by the men and women who practice the homely virtues of time of peace and who in time of war are ready to die or to shed their love best to die, for a shining ideal."

MAY SEARCH HOMES  
IN FOREIGN SECTION  
FOR DEADLY WEAPONS

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
PUEBLO, Colo., Dec. 30.—No search of the residences in the foreign quarter of the steel works district has been ordered by Colonel Dennis McNiff who is in charge of the two companies of Colorado national guard troops stationed in Pueblo, to obtain firearms.

It was said to be in possession of the residents.

Promiscuous shooting of firearms was heard in the foreign quarter last night but the soldiers are of the opinion that it was caused by celebrators of Christmas and New Year's and paid little attention to the shots. However, as a precautionary measure, Colonel McNiff announced today that unless such firing ceased immediately he would be obliged to make a thorough search of the district and confiscate all firearms and ammunition found. It is reported that he will compel all dealers in firearms to keep a record of the parties to whom said firearms are sold.

With the arrival of additional troops early this morning, the troops will be able to put out stronger patrols both night and day.

No disorders of any sort occurred in connection with the steel strike today. More men than ever were at work in Minnesota steel mills today and a large crowd of men was turned away from the gates because of the fact that the company was as yet unable to put them on.

No additional evidence of the alleged murder plot in which seven prominent Pueblo business men were to be assassinated came to light today and the matter has been turned over to the federal secret service operators for investigation.

## PERMIT FOOD EXPORTS

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 30.—Because of the abundant crops reported in Mexico, Luis Cabrera, secretary of the treasury, has issued an order permitting the exportation of corn, beans and other staple products, according to advances received here tonight. It was feared that if the farmers of Mexico were forced to keep their food stocks at home, either quantities of the commodities would spoil or prices would tumble when next year's harvest was gathered. The foodstuffs that may be exported will still be subject to the usual export tax, it is reported.

INTRODUCE LOVE LETTER  
SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Dec. 30.—A love letter written by Harry F. Heine, a San Francisco artist, to Miss Carmelita E. Cadogan, his fiancée, two weeks before he fell in action in France, was admitted to probate court here today on the French line steamship La Savoie.

His friends here today are said to include a number of society people in New York, Newport, and Atlantic City.

COME TO STUDY "BIG BUSINESS"  
NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—A number of young French officers who will study "big business" and efficiency methods in America, were among the passengers of the French line ship La Savoie.

Asks Leader In Economy Campaign  
To Show Grocery Bills For Year---  
Fair Price Meet Ends In Confusion

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A mass meeting arranged by Mrs. Joseph T. Bowen, chairman of the woman's division of the Illinois fair price committee, ended in confusion today.

Professor Irving Fisher of the department of economics at Yale University and Royal Meeker of the bureau of vital statistics of the department of agriculture, had talked on the inflation of currency and the necessity of economy.

W. H. Dunn, a manufacturer, then spoke from the rear of the house. He declared Mrs. Bowen "tells the common people every day that they must economize," and added, "I challenge her to show her grocery bills for the last year."

Shouts of "hire your own hall" and "let him talk" were heard, and when the baffle could not be stopped, Miss Jane Addams, who presided, hastily declared the meeting adjourned. Mrs. Bowen said later that retailers had not opposed her economic campaign, but that she had been opposed by Dunn in previous crusades.

PACT OPPONENTS  
REACH CONCRETE  
BASIS, IS REPORT

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Peace treaty talk compromise reached a more formal basis today when Senator McNary of Oregon, a leader of the mild reservation republicans, discussed various compromise suggestions with Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, the acting democratic leader.

Afterward the senators agreed that a middle ground could be found that would insure ratification early in the year.

Modifications of the reservations are proved by the senate majority at the last session so that affirmative acceptance by the other powers would not be required, is understood to have been the principal subject considered. A new preamble, which would declare the reservations effective, unless other nations objected within a limited time, is said to have been outlined, each senator indicating that he might accept it.

The reservations in the majority program dealing with article ten, Siam, and voting power in the League of Nations, it was said, also were discussed.

Senator Hitchcock also saw a number of other senators and Senator Swanson of Virginia, a democrat of the foreign relations committee, was present during a part of the talk with Senator McNary. Later McNary conferred with several on the republican side.

The compromise negotiations are expected to become more active as senators return late this week for the convening of congress next Monday. In some quarters, however, it is believed that definite action may be postponed until after the democratic caucus on January 15, which will decide the contest between Senator Hitchcock and Senator Underwood of Alabama, for the democratic leadership.

HEARINGS IN COAL  
WAGE CONTROVERSY  
START JANUARY 12

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Hearings on coal wages and prices in the bituminous coal industry will be started January 12 in Washington by the commission of three representatives of the miners, operators and publishers of the United Mine Workers of America, advising them that the first hearing was "for the purpose of having the miners' and operators' scales of prices and production and wages and living conditions among the miners."

The commission announced that it expected to make public the personnel of its staff of assistants Friday or Saturday.

Work of the commission, which held its first session yesterday, centered today about the mapping out of its program and in arranging details of its work.

There was no information as to whether the committee planned to visit the coal fields following the hearings or as to the plans for extending the inquiry beyond the central competitive fields.

PALMER SCORES TECHNICAL  
KNOCKOUT OVER "HAP" WOOD  
TUCSON, Dec. 30.—Kid Palmer of Douglas was given a decision over Happy Woods of Tucson tonight when Woods' second threw a towel in the sixth round. Woods was completely outclassed from the first tap of the gong and hung on to his opponent during the entire fight. Palmer landed blows almost at will to Woods' head and body and led in the fighting from start to finish. Woods' hitherto famous knockout punch was conspicuous by its absence.

After trying to knock out Palmer several times without being able to even hit the soldier, Woods appeared to lose interest in his own blows and devoted his time to keeping close to Palmer. The bout was witnessed by the largest crowd that ever attended a boxing match in this city.

Final Peace  
To Come On  
January 6th

Terms For Signature Agreed Upon at Conference Yesterday

To Reduce Tonnage  
Volume of Materials May  
Be Lessened if Huns  
Gravely Menaced

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Exchange of ratifications of the treaty of Versailles will take place January 6 at the Quai d'Orsay. Baron von Lersner, head of the German delegation, and Paul Dutasta, secretary of the peace conference, tonight settled all points in connection with the signature, except that relating to naval material, which, it is expected, will be solved shortly.

The Germans will sign the protocol, and at the same time the allies will hand a letter to them agreeing to reduce their demands to four hundred thousand tons if the total available tonnage has been over-estimated, or Germany is gravely menaced economically. In any case, after the signature, the allies will get 242,000 tons of material, and the balance based on reports of experts who are now checking up at Danzig, Hamburg and Bremen.

To Resume Diplomatic Relations  
Premier Lloyd George will be present at the ceremony, which will be carried out without any display. Diplomatic relations with Germany will be resumed the following day when the French charge d'affaires will go to Berlin and French consuls will resume their posts.

Allied troops will proceed on January 12 to the territories which must be evacuated by the Germans or where plebiscites are to be held. It is estimated that the trains will be needed for this purpose.

Ellis Loring Dresell, an American member of the peace conference and expert on German affairs, it is understood, will go to Berlin as soon as ratifications are exchanged. He will be accompanied by a staff. This is presumed here to be a temporary expedient until diplomatic relations with the United States are resumed. He was appointed acting commissioner and charge d'affaires in October.

## POLICE CHIEF KILLED

PORT ARTHUR, Tex., Dec. 30.—Roy Crimes, chief of police of Port Arthur, was shot and killed today just after he left the police station, by Jack Hyde, a former policeman. Hyde was arrested.

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